



# VolunteerBloomington!

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:** "A good head and a good heart are always a formidable combination." ~ Nelson Mandela

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## Cheerleading Coaches

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Bloomington are looking for one or two Cheer Coaches for 9-12 year old girls intramural cheerleading this fall. Volunteers will lead one 90-minute evening practice per week for 8 to 10 weeks, choreograph one routine per semester, and attend end-of-semester performances. Some experience is required. Volunteers must be confident in teaching and maintaining safety and spotting techniques. Reliability and organization are a must! Minimum age is 18. Please contact Audrey Hall-Pine at (812) 332-5311 ext. 15 or [ahall@bgcbloomington.org](mailto:ahall@bgcbloomington.org). ([www.bgcbloomington.org](http://www.bgcbloomington.org))

## Special Event Hosts at the IU Art Museum

The IU Art Museum hosts numerous events each year for families, IU students, and the general public, and their special event hosts play a big role. These volunteers have the opportunity to learn more about the museum and its collection, be invited to behind-the-scenes tours, and gain experience in a museum setting. Volunteers are needed to help with a number of fun events this fall. Minimum age is 18; 15 if with an adult. Please contact Ann Fields at (812) 865-3138 or [ankafiel@indiana.edu](mailto:ankafiel@indiana.edu). ([www.artmuseum.iu.edu](http://www.artmuseum.iu.edu))

## Tour Guides/Docents at Historic Home and Studio

If you love history and art, and are looking for something different, T.C. Steele State Historic Site in Brown County would appreciate your assistance! Some volunteers give tours of the historic structures and the artwork, while others assist with school tours in the fall and spring. Schedules are flexible, with training provided. Volunteers can also assist in other program areas, such as youth programs, special events, collections, gardeners/groundskeepers, carpenters/maintenance, and marketing assistants. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Megan Richards at (812) 988-2785 or [mrichards1@indianamuseum.org](mailto:mrichards1@indianamuseum.org). ([www.tcsteele.org](http://www.tcsteele.org))

## PALS Volunteer Training - Sept. 6

People & Animal Learning Services (PALS) offers regular trainings for new volunteers interested in becoming involved in PALS therapeutic riding. The next training will be Sept. 6 from 1-4 p.m. Volunteers help children and adults with disabilities learn how to ride horses. Responsibilities include leading horses and side-walking riders during lessons. Volunteers also help groom, saddle, train, care for horses and help with barn chores. A commitment of 3 to 4 hours per week is requested. Volunteers must attend a training and be over the age of 16, but no horse experience is necessary. Please contact Jennylynn Vidas at (812) 336-2798 ext. 15 or [jennylynn@palstherapy.org](mailto:jennylynn@palstherapy.org). ([www.palstherapy.org](http://www.palstherapy.org))

## WonderLab Volunteer Training - Sept. 17

Get trained to be a WonderLab volunteer! Museum volunteers encourage visitors of all ages to explore hands-on exhibits and programs. Each year, more than 900 individuals contribute over 15,000 hours to help WonderLab operate. These volunteers include teens, college students, scientists, educators, business people, parents and senior adults. There is no retirement age at WonderLab! Some volunteers bring a wide range of expertise, while others learn new skills on the job. Anyone who believes in the value of hands-on experience is welcome. WonderLab volunteers do not need a background in science as all training is provided. Trainings will be on Sept. 17 from 5:30-7 p.m., Oct. 21 from 3:30-5 p.m., and Nov. 12 from 5:30-7 p.m. Minimum age is 12. Please contact Jeanne Gunning at (812) 337-1337 ext. 21 or [jeanne@wonderlab.org](mailto:jeanne@wonderlab.org). ([www.wonderlab.org](http://www.wonderlab.org))

*The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit [bloomington.in.gov/volunteer](http://bloomington.in.gov/volunteer) or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.*

## Community Wish List Spotlight

### Hoosier Hills Food Bank

Collects and distributes over 3 million pounds of food to nearly 100 other non-profits annually, including food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters and youth programs that serve over 25,800 people. To grant a wish, contact Julio Alonso at [julio@hhfoodbank.org](mailto:julio@hhfoodbank.org) or 812-334-8374. (2333 W. Industrial Park Dr.; [www.hhfoodbank.org/](http://www.hhfoodbank.org/))

**Wishes:** canned food (meat/protein, vegetables, fruit, peanut butter), cereal, other non-perishable food, van or pickup truck, new or gently used hats and aprons, forklift, colored copy paper, warehouse HVAC upgrade equipment, new or used egg cartons

*Use the Community Wish List to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.*



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